

A Wonderful Winter Season

at the **SANTA ROSA & SAN JACINTO MOUNTAINS
NATIONAL MONUMENT!**



**all programs
are FREE!**

National Monument Visitor Center

51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert
760/862-9984

A COUNTDOWN TO EARTHQUAKES	Monday, December 4 1:30 pm	<i>Enjoy an illustrated lecture on a shaky topic, at the Community Room, Rancho Mirage Library, 71-100 Highway 111 in Rancho Mirage.</i>
NATURE HIKE TO FERN CANYON	Friday, December 8 8:30 am—1 pm	<i>In the Indian Canyons hike past a wall of ferns in a natural palm oasis. Moderate rating hike with 500 ft elevation gain. RSVP, 760/862-9984.</i>
NATURE HIKE ON ART SMITH TRAIL	Tuesday, December 12 8:30 am—2 pm	<i>See the Coachella Valley from a 2,500 ft viewpoint with Joe Migliore, Desert Naturalist. This hike has a strenuous rating with a 1,300 ft elevation gain. Free, but RSVP to 760/862-9984.</i>
THERE'S A MONUMENT IN YOUR BACKYARD!	Wednesday, December 13 12:30 pm Repeats Mondays January 8 & February 5 10 am	<i>Learn where to go, and what to do in the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains. Maps and trail guides available. At the Thousand Palms Library, 31-189 Robert Rd, Thousand Palms. 760/343-1556, details. January and February programs will be at the Monument Visitor Center.</i>
NATURE HIKE TO VARGAS PALMS	Thursday, January 4 8:30 am—1 pm	<i>Hike to palms that survived a fire. A moderate, five mile round trip hike, with 300 ft elevation gain. Meet on Snow Creek Rd at Hwy 111.</i>
WIND ENERGY	Wednesday, January 10 9 am	<i>Experience the giants of Palm Springs with Claude Kirby, BLM Realty Specialist. At Bureau of Land Management Field Office, 690 W Garnet Ave in N Palm Springs (west of Pilot Gas). 760/251-4800 for details.</i>
HIKE TO INDIAN PORTRERO	Monday, January 15 8:30 am—3 pm	<i>Take a strenuous hike to an area once inhabited by Cahuilla ancestors. Entrance fee required, and RSVP to 760/862-9984.</i>
RV FIRE SAFETY WORKSHOP	Wednesday, January 24 9—11 am	<i>Join Chuck Robbins, BLM Fire Mitigation and Education Specialist, to learn the do's and don'ts of RV traveling. Free, at BLM Field Office, 690 W Garnet Ave in N Palm Springs. Call 760/251-4800 for details.</i>
WILDFLOWER WORKSHOP	Monday, February 5 6 pm	<i>Get ready for flower season with Tracy Albrecht, Interpretive Specialist, at the Palm Desert Library, 73-100 Fred Waring Rd. 760/862-9984.</i>
OPEN HOUSE & WILDFLOWER DAY	Saturday, February 17 9 am—4 pm	<i>See a beautiful wildflower display and enjoy family activities including hikes and workshops. At the Monument Visitor Center.</i>
NATURE HIKE ON THE VICTOR TRAIL	Friday, February 23 8:30 am—12:30 pm	<i>Hike along a ridge trail overlooking a native palm oasis. Rated moderate, bring your camera and binoculars. Call 760/862-9984 to RSVP.</i>

Website: www.ca.blm.gov/palmsprings

*From desert oases to granite peaks, the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains
National Monument contains a land of contrast with stories of adaptation.*

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